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In re the Application of **David M. Whitcombe, et al.**
Application No. **09/700,732**
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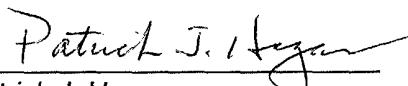
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97**

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants are submitting herewith a Form PTO-1449 and a copy of the references listed thereon. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the filing date, but before receipt of the first Official Action. Thus, it is believed by the undersigned attorney that no fee is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b).

In the event that a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1406 of the undersigned attorneys. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

In the opinion of the undersigned, the references submitted herewith are the most pertinent of which the undersigned is aware. However, no representation is

made or intended that more pertinent references do not exist.

This submission is not an admission that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 constitute prior art against the claims of this application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to confirm receipt and consideration of the cited references by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 in accordance with MPEP §609.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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